Iowa Department of Public Health Division of Acute Disease Prevention & Emergency Response

Immunization Program Immunization Assessment Definition Moved or Gone Elsewhere (MOGE) March 1, 2010

The Iowa Department of Public Health, Immunization Program, will utilize the following definition to document patients that have moved or gone elsewhere (MOGE) for immunization services when conducting an immunization assessment. The MOGE definition has been adapted from guidelines established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Moved or Gone Elsewhere (MOGE). A patient that no longer receives immunization services from a healthcare provider due to one of the following:

- o The patient's medical record was transferred to another healthcare provider
- A letter or documented phone call from another healthcare provider that states the patient is under their care
- Patient or guardian states that the patient is now being seen by another provider for immunization services
- Clinic's reminder/recall notice is returned with a forwarding address outside of the clinics service area
- Patient is lost to follow-up. A minimum of 3 separate attempts, using 2 different methods of contact, must be documented (e.g., letter, phone call, home visit, etc.)

At least <u>one</u> of the above must be documented in the patient's medical record and include the date(s) of the event(s).

Documentation of multiple missed appointments is not adequate to meet the MOGE definition.